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Re: EPA Request for Information - Berry's Creek Study Area, Bergen County, NJ

Dear Mr. Ausubel and Mr. Monroe:

BD (Becton Dickinson and Company) operated a facility in East Rutherford beginning in the early 1900s and terminated all operations beginning in the mid-1980s. In order to comply with NJDEP's ECRA (now ISRA) requirements, BD performed extensive soil and groundwater investigations and remediation at the site in the mid-1980s. We are diligently searching our records to respond to the EPA Request for Information on the Berry's Creek Study Area and respectfully request an extension of time to respond to the Request.

Very truly yours,

Mary L. Gerdes, Esq.

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